

been with the Chamber for 50 plus years. I thank them for their commitment to the chamber and the business community, and wish them success in the future.

#### TRANE'S 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

### HON. RON KIND

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 26, 2013*

Mr. KIND. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to celebrate the 100 year anniversary of Trane, a company based in my home city of La Crosse in western Wisconsin. La Crosse's third largest employer, Trane provides high-quality, energy-efficient heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems and building management systems throughout the United States and the world. I would like to congratulate all of Trane's workers, including the members of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers District 66 and my very own brother, Tim, who has been a loyal employee for many years. These dedicated workers partner with the management team to produce excellent products for a great price.

I'm very proud of the extraordinary contributions that Trane has made to our nation's technological advancements of the 20th and 21st centuries and for their contribution to job growth in Wisconsin. James Trane and his son Reuben started the company in 1913. Reuben's invention of the convector radiator in 1925, which replaced the heavy and bulky cast-iron radiators of the time, launched the company into worldwide prominence and firmly established its reputation as an innovator. Trane has upheld its reputation ever since.

Trane's innovations have been used during noteworthy moments in our nation's history. Their parts have been used to create products for the Armed Forces, such as the Trane Aircraft Intercooler during World War II, and they have even ventured into outer space when their heat exchanger design was used on the lunar rover of the Apollo 15 mission. Furthermore, Trane launched the world's most effective whole-house air filtration system that has helped families breathe easier in their homes.

It is with great pride that I rise today to congratulate Trane Co. on a century's worth of exceptional service and premium quality. Trane wouldn't be the success that it is if it wasn't for their hard work and dedication. Trane is truly deserving of recognition for their remarkable contributions to innovation and to the La Crosse community, and I am confident that they will carry on their work into the future.

#### HONORING FOUR MILE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF MABANK, TEXAS

### HON. JEB HENSARLING

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 26, 2013*

Mr. HENSARLING. Mr. Speaker, today I recognize the 165th Anniversary of the Four Mile Lutheran Church of Mabank, Texas.

On May 5, 2013, Four Mile Lutheran Church will celebrate 165 years of Lutheranism. Four

Mile Lutheran Church is the oldest Norwegian church in Texas, having held continual services from 1848–2013. For 165 years, evangelism, missionary service, youth development, Sunday school, Bible study, fellowship, and worship have been celebrated by the congregation.

As Thomas Jefferson said, "It is in our lives and not our words that our religion must be read." It is an honor to represent the parishioners of Four Mile Lutheran Church whose lives exude service and faith.

#### IN HONOR OF DR. GARY B. GRIGGS

### HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 26, 2013*

Mr. FARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Gary B. Griggs, who is celebrating 45 years of expanding and sharing our understanding of the coastal and marine environment as a Distinguished Professor of Earth Sciences at the University of California Santa Cruz.

Dr. Gary B. Griggs is the Director of the University of California Santa Cruz Institute of Marine Sciences. A leader in the field of marine and coastal geology, his research is focused on the coastal zone and ranges from coastal evolution and development, through shoreline processes, coastal hazards and coastal engineering, and sea level rise. He is a talented interpreter of complicated coastal science and has a long track record of effectively translating his findings for policymakers. He has also been a champion of raising public awareness about these important issues across the Monterey Bay region and beyond. He has authored numerous academic and popular articles and books, including *Living with the Changing California Coast* and *Then & Now: Santa Cruz Coast*.

Griggs joined the UCSC faculty in 1968. He has been Director of the Institute of Marine Sciences and Long Marine Laboratory since 1991. The Long Marine Lab is known throughout the marine research community for innovative marine mammal research in areas of nearshore invertebrate marine biology, ecology, and issues surrounding ocean health.

As Director, he spearheaded the development of the Seymour Marine Discovery Center at Long Marine Laboratory, an educational center organized around the understanding of marine science. For the last 13 years, the Seymour Center has offered innovative educational programs for community members of all ages including school, youth and college programs, teacher workshops, and an extensive range of visitor and member programs.

In 2001, he led the launch of the Center for Ocean Health, a premier research facility for coastal conservation, policy, and research. The Center for Ocean Health has brought together some of the world's leading coastal and marine scientists, government and non-government coastal conservation and policy experts, and public education leaders. Their projects and partnerships are addressing a wide range of issues including complex coastal water science and policy issues, troubled sea otter populations in Alaska and California, and the socio-economic impacts of storms and sea level rise on coastal communities.

In 2009, the California Coastal Commission named Gary Griggs as a California Coastal Heroes. He was recognized for his efforts to promote popular understanding of the California coast and for his leadership in the development of a major marine research and education center at Long Marine Laboratory. In 2010, Professor Griggs was elected as a Fellow of the California Academy of Sciences, an international center for scientific education and research at the forefront of efforts to understand and protect the diversity of Earth's living things.

Dr. Griggs has actively sought to break down silos between the academia and government. He has actively supported collaboration between marine scientists and decision-makers. The UC Santa Cruz marine campus at the edge of Monterey Bay physically embodies this collaborative approach and shares space with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Southwest Fisheries Science Center as well as with the State of California's Oiled Wildlife Veterinary Care and Research Center.

Recently, his research projects have focused on documenting and understanding coastal erosion processes including temporal and spatial variations in rates of retreat; evaluating the effectiveness of coastal protection structures and the impacts of coastal engineering projects (seawalls, jetties, breakwaters) on coastal processes and beaches; evaluating beach processes and quantifying littoral cell budgets and human impacts on these budgets; impacts of extreme events such as El Ninos on coastlines; the impacts of sea level rise on California's beaches and coastline; and coastal policies to reduce the impacts of hazards and sea level rise.

Mr. Speaker, I once again want to thank Dr. Griggs for his leadership on ocean and coastal science and policy and recognize him for serving as an inspirational and accomplished leader for my community.

#### SAFEGUARDS ACT REINTRODUCED

### HON. C.W. BILL YOUNG

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 26, 2013*

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to reintroduce the SAFEGUARDS Act, legislation I have introduced for the past three Congressional sessions that is intended to address some of the issues surrounding the 2010 Deepwater Horizon disaster and the subsequent federal response effort. Saturday marked the three-year anniversary of this catastrophic oil spill and the people of the Gulf are still waiting for the Congress to address the breakdowns in safety, oversight and response that were exposed during the spill. I have emphasized repeatedly that we owe it to those who perished in the explosion, as well as those whose lives and businesses were impacted in the months that followed, to address the deficiencies in current federal policy.

I am thankful that last year the Congress was able to pass the RESTORE Act that directs a large portion of the fines resulting from the Deepwater Horizon spill to the restoration of the Gulf region. While we do not know the full amount that will be available in this fund, I am certain that it will have a positive impact

on future restoration, revitalization and research efforts in the Gulf, including in my state of Florida.

However, I remain greatly concerned with continuing our work to ensure an oil spill of this magnitude is prevented from ever happening again. Fortunately, the beautiful beaches in my district were spared a direct oil impact during the spill but make no mistake, our cities and local industries were impacted, including tourism and our fisheries, causing great hardship for many in my area. My constituents fear the impact that a future spill could have on their homes, businesses and our local environment.

While federal agencies have worked through the regulatory process to address some of deficiencies highlighted by the spill, most notably the Department of Interior's replacement of the Minerals Management Service with the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation, and Enforcement, Congress has still not enacted comprehensive legislation. The members of the National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and Offshore Drilling (Oil Spill Commission), which issued their final report in January 2011, recently gave Congress a D-plus for failing to implement the recommendations made in the report.

Multiple retrospective reviews of the oil spill and the response efforts have provided us with valuable information about what should be included in comprehensive legislation. This includes the report by the Oil Spill Commission, the Joint Investigation of Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation, and Enforcement and U.S. Coast Guard, and the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill: Incident Specific Preparedness Review.

As I stated last Congress, I was not surprised that many of the changes I recommended in the SAFEGUARDS Act were included in the Oil Spill Commission report, as my measure was developed following a series of meetings and regular phone calls with the on-the-ground incident commanders, local research teams and community emergency response personnel. It is my hope that the Congress will act on the solutions put forth in this measure and include it in a wider legislative response to ensure that we impose rigorous safety standards on any off-shore platforms, while also establishing a fully thought out plan to respond to future disasters.

We must stop waiting and act to address the systematic breakdowns that led to the BP Deepwater Horizon catastrophe. The SAFEGUARDS Act presents common sense solutions to help prevent a disaster of this magnitude from ever happening again, and improves the federal response in the event it ever does. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to support this measure. We owe it to the American people and the entire Gulf Coast to pass oil spill response legislation during this session.

HONORING BISHOP KING JAMES  
UNDERWOOD

**HON. RODNEY DAVIS**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 26, 2013*

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Bishop King James

Underwood who is a pastor at New Free Will Baptist Church in Champaign, Illinois. Born in Mississippi, Bishop Underwood came to Champaign as a child. He has a Doctorate of Ministry and Doctorate of Divinity. He has been heavily involved in the local community groups, including helping to form the Free Will Baptist District as well as leading the Ministerial Alliance of Champaign-Urbana and Vicinity, the local NAACP, N.C.N.W. and the Champaign County Urban League. Today, Bishop Underwood will be celebrating his 75th Birthday with friends and family.

I am proud to honor Bishop King James Underwood today and would like to wish him a very happy birthday and thank him for his service and dedication to the entire community.

TRIBUTE ON THE OCCASION OF  
CANIFF STREET IN HAMTRAMCK,  
MICHIGAN BEING RENAMED IN  
HONOR OF REVEREND DOCTOR  
JOSEPH R. JORDAN

**HON. GARY C. PETERS**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 26, 2013*

Mr. PETERS of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize my friend, Reverend Doctor Joseph R. Jordan, Pastor of Corinthian Baptist Church in Hamtramck, Michigan. On Sunday, April 28, 2013, Rev. Dr. Jordan is being recognized by the City of Hamtramck as it renames a portion of Caniff Street, one of its major thoroughfares, to honor his decades of service to the community.

Rev. Dr. Jordan began his journey on the ecclesiastical path nearly forty years ago, when he left his lucrative career as an electrician to answer the call of service to God. Before joining the congregation of Corinthian, he served as Assistant Pastor at Calvary Baptist Church in Detroit for six years. Since his ascension to the Pastorate of Corinthian, Rev. Dr. Jordan has held steadfast to his belief that the focus of his position is to help others. Through his dedication and passion to the teachings of his faith, Rev. Dr. Jordan has not only been a shepherd to his congregation, but a local community leader to the Detroit and Hamtramck communities as well.

As the spiritual leader to his church, Rev. Dr. Jordan has focused his congregation on not only learning the lessons of their faith, but also taking action on those lessons to help the surrounding communities. Under his direction, members of Corinthian have instituted a bi-annual drive to procure and distribute clothing and household necessities to families in need, established a scholarship fund and organized a local neighborhood carnival where church members distribute school supplies to students. In further efforts to make his church a sanctuary to the community, Rev. Dr. Jordan has also opened Corinthian to the neighborhood's local chapter Alcoholics Anonymous, providing attendees a safe and welcoming space to meet.

As a community leader, Rev. Dr. Jordan has extended his work beyond his role as the Pastor of Corinthian. Rev. Dr. Jordan ardently believes that all people should be treated equally and with respect. This is a belief he has fought for in his endeavor to expand access to

quality healthcare as a trustee for the Henry Ford Health System. Additionally, Rev. Dr. Jordan has been a strong advocate for victims of housing discrimination, an endeavor he has been working on for decades.

Mr. Speaker, for the last four decades Rev. Dr. Joseph R. Jordan has been a strong spiritual leader to his congregation and a passionate advocate for so many marginalized people in the Southeast Michigan community. His work has not only strengthened the vitality of the Greater Detroit region, but also communities across our Nation. I have been fortunate to have his advice and counsel and I join with his friends, family and the congregation of Corinthian Baptist Church to celebrate his impact on our region as a portion of Caniff Street in Hamtramck is renamed in his honor.

DEATH OF EDWARD JAGNANDAN

**HON. G.K. BUTTERFIELD**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 26, 2013*

Mr. BUTTERFIELD. Mr. Speaker, today it is with profound grief that I rise to commemorate the life of Edward R. Jagnandan, a great leader, public servant and personal friend who will be greatly missed in his community of Wilson, North Carolina, and throughout our great state.

A righteous advocate of low-income families, senior citizens and the disabled, Mr. Jagnandan served dutifully as Wilson Housing Authority's chief executive director for 6 years. During the course of his illustrious tenure, I had the unique opportunity to watch Mr. Jagnandan successfully embark on building a brighter future for Wilson residents who rely on subsidized housing.

Mr. Jagnandan's indelible contributions to Wilson include securing a competitive federal stimulus grant that awarded more than \$7 million to build a new, energy-efficient 68-unit apartment complex serving low-income residents. While championing the value of homeownership, Mr. Jagnandan spearheaded programs that would make owning a home affordable to even those with modest means.

Though not a native of Wilson, his contributions to our community make Mr. Jagnandan a son of Wilson. As a member of the Wilson Rotary Club, Mr. Jagnandan regularly supported civic volunteer and fundraising initiatives and served as president of the Wilson chapter of the International Rotary Club.

Ed Jagnandan was born in Guyana to Wilfred Jagnandan whose job as a Presbyterian Missionary brought his wife Helen and their children to the United States. After arriving as a teenager, Ed earned his Bachelor and Master of Business Administration degrees from Mississippi State University.

Mr. Speaker, as a devoted husband, father, brother, friend and public servant Ed Jagnandan's untimely passing will surely be felt by all of those whose lives he touched. He will forever be missed but never forgotten in the city of Wilson and across North Carolina.